(b) the amount of ODA assistance is being received from the above country during the current financial year; and

(c) the manner in which the ODA assistance is being utilised?

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM) : (a) The Government of India has been receiving Official Development Assistance (ODA) from Japan since 1958.

(b) and (c). Amount of ODA to be provided by the Government of Japan during the current financial year is Yen 132.746 million for the following projects.

S.No.	Name of Project	Million Yen
1.	Northern India Transmission System Project	8.497
2.	West Bengal Transmission System Project	11.087
3.	Umiam Hydro Power Station Renovation Project	1.700
4.	Tuirial Hydro-Electric Power Station Project.	11.695
5.	Simhadri Thermal Power Station Project	19.817
6.	Delhi Mass Rapid Transport System Project	14.760
7.	Calcutta Transport Infrastructure Development Project.	10.679
8.	Eastern Karnataka Afforestation Project	15.968
9.	Tamil Nadu Afforestation Project	13.324
10.	Kerala Water Supply Project	11.997
11.	Rajghat Canal Irrigation Project	13.222

Mismanagement in Central Bank of India

478. SHRI BHIMRAO VISHNUJI BADADE : Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government are aware of the mismanagement and non-utilisation of assets by Central Bank of India in and around Mumbai resulting in huge financial losses; and

(b) if so, the action being taken against the officials found guilty and steps proposed to be taken in the matter to make up the losses?

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM) : (a) and (b) Central Bank has reported that most of the assets owned by the Bank in and around Mumbai have been put to proper use except for a premises in Belapur area which is in partial use due to non-availability of infrastructural facilities. With a gradual improvement in transportation and communication facilities the Bank is in the process of shifting some of the administrative departments to this premises. Steps such as construction of residential flats, leasing out some portion of the premises, etc. are also being taken by the Bank to make full use of the premises.

[Translation]

World Bank Loan

479. SHRI N.J. RATHWA :
SHRI RADHA MOHAN SINGH :
SHRI O.P. JINDAL :
SHRIMATI SUSHMA SWARAJ :
PROF. PREM SINGH CHANDUMAJRA :

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether the World Bank President had visited the various regions of the country during October 1996 and held discussion with various high level officials of the Government.

(b) if so, the details of the discussions held in various meetings during his tour;

(c) the areas in which the World Bank President offered more assistance, and the number of cases in which assistance was sought and the number of projects in which he had taken a decision to cancel them; and

(d) India's total debt to the World Bank as on date and the total interest being paid to the World Bank annually on this debt?

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM) : (a) to (c). During his visit to India in Oct. 1996 the World Bank President had toured the states of Maharashtra, Karnataka and Orissa as well as New Delhi and had extensive consultations with the Prime Minister, Finance Minister, Agriculture Minister, Chief Ministers of the states and other ministers and senior Govt. Officials at both State and Central levels. Discussios with the Bank President focussed on issues such as ongoing World Bank Projects in the Country, the future pipeline of the World Bank assistance, how to improve utilization on ongoing projects and on Indian economy. The World Bank President was requested by the States as well as the Centre to provide assistance in areas such as power, agriculture, social and Infrastructure sectors. The World Bank agreed to support investments in infrastructure, fiscal adjustment, poverty alleviation, social, agriculture sectors and for private sector development.

(d) India's total external debt liability to World Bank including IDA was US $ 25802.225 million as at the end of Sept., 96. The total interest paid to World Bank was US $ 902 million during 1995-96.